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Hey, Hey, Hay Ride Anyone?

A great big thank-you to the Laces for hosting our fun traditional Hayride in November. This past fall was chalk full of neighborhood activities including the Hayride, Cookie Exchange (hosted by Mimi Mikelevicius) and



the Holiday Party (hosted by Bill and Chris Leonard. We are so grateful to all of our wonderful hosts! The Cookie Exchange was a great opportunity to share beloved recipes and kick off the Holiday Season. One of the many things that makes our Village so special is the number of different

opportunities to get together. With all the different lives that we lead, it is great to celebrate our differences and find common ground.

Calling All Artists!

Our updated Neighborhood Directory will be coming out this Spring, and we are in desperate need of artwork from the many talented children (and adults) of the Village. Parents, could you please submit a favorite drawing (or a photo of a favorite artwork) to either Karen Kronauge at 4296 S. Akron St. (kkronauge@comcast.net) or to Chris Leonard at 4281 S. Alton Pl. (woodyandz@aol.com)? We are looking at a March 31st deadline, so don't delay!



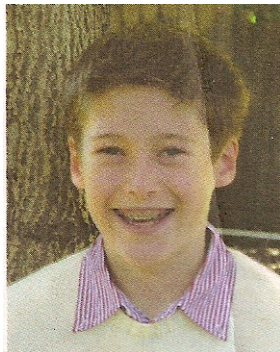
Changes On Your Board

The Board would like to welcome Dean Goss as our new President. Dean has been a resident of the Village for over 15 years and has contributed consistently to the well-being of the neighborhood. Dean was voted in at the annual meeting and started his two-year term immediately thereafter. Welcome Dean!

Joy Lucisano has taken over Dean's spot on the Architectural Review Committee, and Alan Saltzman will continue his good work on the ARC.



Rising Stars



CCVN's own Ethan Widoff, a sixth grader at Campus, was recently named one of Colorado's top two youth volunteers for 2009 by the nationwide Presidential Spirit of Community

Awards. He will receive \$1000 plus an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., where he will be honored with the other winners from the other 49 states.

Ethan has used his own birthday parties as a way to support a variety of charities, has organized a golf tournament which raised over \$3000 for the Epilepsy Foundation, has organized meals for the homeless and raised funds for the Darrent Williams Memorial Teen Center amongst other worthwhile activities. What a great example Ethan is to all of us! Congratulations to the entire Widoff family!



After a chance meeting with John McCain before he entered the Presidential race, Lauryn Reiff, a junior at CCHS, was then invited to attend the Republican National

Convention as a Presidential Scholar this past August. She was one of only 50 students from across the US invited to attend this prestigious event.

The week long event included breakfast with the Colorado delegates and 3 nights at the actual convention to see all of the key note speakers. During the day, the students learned about the election process and even had a mock election. After returning from the event, Lauryn continued her interest in politics by volunteering at the McCain/Palin headquarters in Centennial. No matter what political party we belong to, we can all be proud of Lauryn's commitment!

Save The Date

Jenny Mancini has been kind enough to volunteer to head up our CCVN Social Committee. She wasted no time in calling a meeting where the committee came up with a spreadsheet listing all our neighborhood activities, dates, hosts and details. Wow! You've got to love that go-getter attitude!

Some of our upcoming events include:

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt
April 5th at 4 PM
Hosted by Darcy Cox
4461 S. Yosemite Ct.

Spring Planting Workshop
May 9th at 9am
Hosted by Nikki and TJ Gordon
4441 S. Yosemite Ct.
Come learn from a Master Gardener and Master Composter

We are still looking for a 4th of July host. Please call Jenny Mancini if you can help us out at 720-529-6602.

Our Beautiful New Signs and Lights

The recent refurbish work on our entrance signs was completed by Jennifer Lace, Frank Hare and Gordon Roy. These signs were originally made by Bob Cottle in the late 70's. Bob and his wife, Marjorie, lived in CCVN for 30 years. Bob recently moved to Wyoming but left behind his wonderful craftsmanship which reminds each of us to "*Have a Nice Day*" each time we leave our Village!

Thanks to GV City Council for our new lights in the pass-through to Union St. They really enhance the area and provide added security to the neighborhood.

City Council Update

from Ron Rakowsky

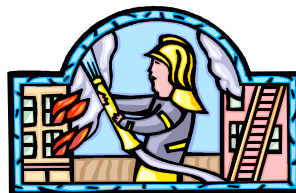
There has been some concern in the neighborhood that there may have been some confusion between the fire departments responding to last spring's fire on S. Yosemite Ct. Joy Lucisano followed up on this, and the following is the response from our Councilman, Ron Rakowsky.

As you know the City of Greenwood Village has no legal interface with South Metro Fire Rescue (SMFR) although our respective public safety forces cooperate on a daily basis. We are two separate legal entities jointly serving our citizens.

Nevertheless, recognizing the importance of fire protection to respond as quickly as possible to CCVN, Gary Kleeman and I mapped out an action plan. Gary Kleeman and I met with Denver Council Woman Lehmann to gain her support to pave the way at Denver City Council when they are approved an InterGovernmental Agreement (IGA) between South Metro Fire Rescue and the City and County of Denver on behalf of the Denver Fire Department. This IGA would, for the first time in metro Denver, establish a formal procedure for fire protection for CCVN and another area of the City and County of Denver. I have been in frequent contact with Chief Qualman and his senior operational assistant Chief Baker at SMFR, about the IGA. They have been exceptionally supportive and have promptly acted to finalize an IGA. I have been told the operational side of the IGA is complete. Lawyers for City and County of Denver and SMFR are reviewing the IGA. I am very optimistic that the SMFR Board and the Denver City Council will approve it.

As to the alleged dispute between SMFR and Denver Fire at the scene of the Yosemite Court fire concerning financial commitments before any water was put on the fire, I do not think that was the case for several reasons. In Colorado, there has not been nor is there now any financial reimbursement between fire departments when they respond to a fire in an adjoining district. If FEMA requests a fire department to respond to a fire, (e.g. Colorado firefighters who go to help fight wild land fires in California) then FEMA will reimburse the responding fire department. The type of fire response that occurred on Yosemite Court was a "mutual aid" response. Furthermore when I arrived on the fire scene, after being alerted by Gary Kleeman, I spoke with the ranking SMFR officer present who praised the cooperation of Denver Fire with his command. The first water on the fire came from the tanks in the trucks, a very quick maneuver, as other firefighters were connecting hoses to the hydrants. Having worked with many of the SMFR individuals on the fire scene, including the ranking officer, for twenty years, I know of and have personally observed their commitment to saving lives and property. It is not in their nature to delay action to talk about money or territorial imperative.

I am sure you would agree with the necessity to correct the record on what happened to instill confidence in those who like yourself as a government employee that serve the public like yourself. Accordingly, I would be happy to attend the March HOA Board meeting with a representative from SMFR to answer any questions or concerns.



Neighborhood Losses...

The neighborhood had to say a sad farewell to Tom Dorsey after an 8 month illness last summer.

Husband of Barbara and son of Big Band Orchestra leader Tommy Dorsey, Tom was a true lover of life, community and family. He was a naval officer and a long time employee of IBM. Tom and Barbara raised their children Skip, Reaney and Thomas in CCVN and Barbara is still active on our HOA Board on a regular basis. Tom was an amazing man and will be sorely missed .

We also lost longtime Village resident Alice Miller on February 27th. Alice was 92 years old. Alice and her husband Arthur had built their home at 9178 E. Tufts Pl. in 1967 and had lived there ever since. They were wonderful neighbors, avid vegetable gardeners and will be missed by many.

..and Neighborhood Gains

The newest member of CCVN arrived at the Molitor household on January 21, 2009. Their 7th child, Miss Elizabeth Curan Molitor was born at home at 7:45pm. She weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long. Elizabeth is doing well and loves to eat! Congratulations to Rich and Betsy!

CCVN also welcomes our new neighbors, Teri and Jeff Castledine, at 4417 S Akron Street.. We're glad you're here!

Possible Help For Going Green

The following contains excerpts from Progress Now. It is not meant as a political statement, but as information on a Colorado Senate Bill being considered that could possibly impact our neighborhood in the future.

Over the last year, we've seen and felt firsthand the impact of rising energy prices--from erratic gas prices to increases in home heating bills. And we're all feeling the squeeze since the economy has taken a turn for the worse.

There's been a lot of talk recently about renewable energy and energy efficiency. Things like solar, wind power, geothermal energy, and general improvements in our own homes--from drafty windows to inefficient heating units. But it's hard to make the

improvements because they're expensive, even with government rebates or tax credits.

State Senator Morgan Carroll recently introduced a bill that will make it easier for people to invest in these renewable energy improvements without shouldering a big financial burden. Senate Bill 51 would create smart financing options for energy efficiency improvements, making it easier for you to cut your costs on energy bills.

For more information, go to <http://progressnowcolorado.org/sb51>



Carbon Monoxide Detector Bill Introduced in 2009 General Assembly

[HB 09-1091](#) was just introduced in the Colorado General Assembly and by all accounts is on the fast track to passage. As a result of the tragic deaths of the Lofgren family due to carbon monoxide poisoning, this legislation - as introduced - would mandate in part that:

1. Any single family dwelling or unit in a multi-family dwelling offered for sale or transfer on or after July 1, 2009, would be required to have carbon monoxide detectors if the unit has a fuel-burning heater or appliance, a fireplace or attached garage;
2. Any new construction of a single family dwelling or unit in a multi-family dwelling in which building permits are issued on or after July 1, 2009, would be required to have carbon monoxide detectors if the unit has a fuel-burning heater or appliance, a fireplace or attached garage;
3. Rental units must be equipped with carbon monoxide detectors and landlords would be required to provide maintenance and replacement of the detectors when notified by tenants of such a need.
4. Upon passage, HB 1091 will directly impact developers of single-family and multi-family communities. Further, depending upon the requirements of governing documents, condominium and some townhome associations may also be required to ensure the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in units.



Remodeling? Re-landscaping?

Don't forget that our covenants require you to have any changes approved by the HOA architectural committee. The form is on our website at ccvillagenorth.org and requests can be mailed to:

Cherry Creek Village North
HOA
9000 E. Tufts Ave.
Greenwood Village, CO 80111

ALL HOA Board Meetings

HOA Board meetings are generally held the 2nd Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be held on April 14th at Chris Leonard's home at 4281 S. Alton Pl. at 7 PM.

Any resident is welcome to attend meetings and new board members are always welcome! Please call (303) 352-1936 for updated information.

The Perfect Reminder...

Don't forget to check out our website at ccvillagenorth.org with all the latest happenings in the Village. All your contacts, forms, covenants and questions are right on-line. Any questions or comments can be directed to Frank Hare at frank@beyondtechnology.net.

CCVNHOA Annual Meeting Provides Great Forum

Our GV City Council Representatives, Ron Rakowsky and Gary Kleeman gave a talk beginning with a thank you to the Village for doing a fabulous job with our aggressive Neighborhood Watch Program. Gary and Ron continued with telling us that city revenues are a bit behind, but they are holding pretty steady. Ron said that 70% of revenues are from businesses. He encouraged us to eat out often and shop locally.

Karen Kronauge presented the Treasurer's report. The complete financials can be found on the website as well as all the Village Covenants. Thankfully, we have an accomplished webmaster in Frank Hare!

Frank Hare mentioned how many HOAs have management companies. The Board had considered this idea and rejected it mainly due to costs. They didn't want to have to raise yearly HOA dues to afford a management company. After advertising for the position of Executive Director for the Village, Chris Leonard was hired in this capacity which saves the Village a considerable amount.

Additional street lighting was discussed thoroughly, and it was determined that it would be exorbitantly expensive, and many residents didn't want additional lighting that would affect their homes adversely, so the issue was tabled.

Additionally, a letter has been sent to Greenwood Village requesting that the bushes be trimmed along E. Tufts so residents can use the sidewalks more easily.

Centennial Airport Update

A meeting was held on February 26th of the Citizens Advisory Committee for the Centennial Airport. A tally was presented regarding noise complaints during 2008, and it was reported that there were complaints from 388 households in 2008 which was a 43.7% increase over 2007. It is interesting to note that the top 5 households accounted for 57% of the complaints.

The committee is trying to re-introduce legislation to mandate a phase-out of small noisy Stage 2 aircraft, but this legislation was not passed in the Senate in 2007. Currently there is a deadline for these aircraft to upgrade to quieter engines by 2012. These Stage 2 aircraft (usually older corporate aircraft) are responsible for the majority of the noise complaints.

If anyone would like to complain about the noise level at the airport, call the airport operations office at 303-790-0598 ext 2909 and talk to Todd Green.



SNOW?

If we ever get some more snow this winter, don't forget to shovel your sidewalks! If you need massive snow removal, you can call Greenwood Village with your request at 303-708-6100. Or if you need some help shoveling, call Chris Leonard, and she'll get someone to pitch in.

Neighborhood Watch Reminder

With the weather getting warmer and several homes empty in the neighborhood, it is important to stay vigilant and report ANY suspicious activity to the Greenwood Village Police (Non-Emergency) number at 303-773-2525. Together, we can help keep our Village safe!

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